H. R. 622

To amend title II of the Social Security Act so as to remove the limitation upon the amount of outside income which an individual may earn while receiving benefits thereunder.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McCandless introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To amend title II of the Social Security Act so as to remove the limitation upon the amount of outside income which an individual may earn while receiving benefits thereunder.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That subsections (b), (d), (f), (h), (j), and (k) of section
- 4 203 of the Social Security Act are repealed.
- 5 SEC. 2. (a) Subsection (c) of section 203 of the Social
- 6 Security Act is redesignated as subsection (b); and such
- 7 subsection as so redesignated is amended—

(1) by striking out "Noncovered Work Out-1 2 SIDE THE UNITED STATES OR" in the heading; (2) by striking out paragraph (1); 3 4 (3) by redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively; 5 (4) by striking out "For purposes of para-6 7 graphs (2), (3), and (4)" and inserting in lieu thereof "For purposes of paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)"; 8 and 9 (5) by striking out the last sentence. 10 11 (b) Subsection (e) of such section 203 is redesignated as subsection (c); and such subsection as so redesignated 12 is amended by striking out "subsections (c) and (d)" and inserting in lieu thereof "subsection (b)". 14 15 (c) Subsection (g) of such section 203 is redesignated as subsection (d); and such subsection as so redesignated 16 is amended by striking out "subsection (c)" each place it 17 appears and inserting in lieu thereof "subsection (b)". 18 19 (d) Subsection (i) of such section 203 is redesignated as subsection (e); and such subsection as so redesignated is amended by striking out "subsection (b), (c), (g), or 21 (h)" and inserting in lieu thereof "subsection (b) or (d)". 22 (e) Subsection (l) of such section 203 is redesignated 23

as subsection (f); and such subsection as so redesignated

- 1 is amended by striking out "subsection (g) or (h)(1)(A)"
- 2 and inserting in lieu thereof "subsection (d)".
- 3 Sec. 3. (a) Section 202(j)(4)(B) of the Social Secu-
- 4 rity Act is amended by striking out clause (iv), and by
- 5 redesignating clause (v) as clause (iv).
- 6 (b) Section 202(n)(1) of such Act is amended by
- 7 striking out "Sections 203 (b), (c), and (d)" and inserting
- 8 in lieu thereof "Section 203(b)".
- 9 (c)(1) Section 202(q)(5)(B) of such Act is amended
- 10 by striking out "section 203(c)(2)" and inserting in lieu
- 11 thereof "section 203(b)(1)".
- 12 (2) Section 202(q)(7)(A) of such Act is amended by
- 13 striking out "deductions under section 203(b), 203(c)(1),
- 14 203(d)(1), or 222(b)" and inserting in lieu thereof "de-
- 15 ductions on account of work under section 203 or deduc-
- 16 tions under section 222(b)".
- (d)(1) Section 202(s)(1) of such Act is amended by
- 18 striking out "paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of section
- 19 203(c)" and inserting in lieu thereof "paragraphs (1), (2),
- 20 and (3) of section 203(b)".
- 21 (2) Section 202(s)(3) of such Act is amended by
- 22 striking out "The last sentence of subsection (c) of section
- 23 203, subsection (f)(1)(C) of section 203, and subsections"
- 24 and inserting in lieu thereof "Subsections".

- (e) Section 202(t)(7) of such Act is amended by strik-1
- ing out "Subsections (b), (c), and (d)" and inserting in
- lieu thereof "Subsection (b)".
- (f) Section 202(w)(2)(B)(ii) of such Act is amended 4
- to read as follows:

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- "(ii) such individual (I) was not enti-7 tled to an old-age insurance benefit, (II) 8 suffered deductions, in amounts equal to the amount of such benefit, under section 9 203(b) as in effect in the month or months 10 11 involved, or (III) would have suffered de-12 ductions on account of work, in amounts 13 equal to the amount of such benefit (as determined under regulations of the Sec-14 15 retary), under subsections (b) through (l) of section 203 as in effect immediately 16 17 prior to the enactment of this clause (III) 18 if such subsections (other than paragraph 19 (8) of subsection (f)) had remained in ef-
- 21 (g) Section 203(a)(3)(B)(iii) of such Act is amended by striking out "and subsections (b), (c), and (d)" and inserting in lieu thereof "and subsection (b)". 23

fect through such month or months.".

(h) Section 208(a)(3) of such Act is amended by 24 striking out "under section 203(f) of this title for purposes

- 1 of deductions from benefits" and inserting in lieu thereof
- 2 "under section 203 for purposes of deductions from bene-
- 3 fits on account of work".
- 4 (i) Clause (I) in the last sentence of section
- 5 215(b)(2)(A) of such Act is amended by striking out "no
- 6 earnings as described in section 203(f)(5) in such year"
- 7 and inserting in lieu thereof "no wages, and no net earn-
- 8 ings from self-employment (in excess of net loss from self-
- 9 employment), in such year".
- 10 (j) Section 215(g) of such Act is amended by striking
- 11 out "and any deduction under section 203(b)".
- 12 (k) The third sentence of section 223(d)(4) of such
- 13 Act is amended by striking out "the exempt amount under
- 14 section 203(f)(8) which is applicable to individuals de-
- 15 scribed in subparagraph (D) thereof" and inserting in lieu
- 16 thereof the following: "an amount equal to the exempt
- 17 amount which would have been applicable under section
- 18 203(f)(8), to individuals described in subparagraph (D)
- 19 thereof, if subsections (b) through (l) of section 203 as
- 20 in effect in December 1984 had remained in effect through
- 21 the month in which such earnings were derived".
- (l) Section 1612(a) of such Act is amended—
- 23 (1) by striking out "as determined under sec-
- tion 203(f)(5)(C)" in paragraph (1)(A) and insert-

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ing in lieu thereof "as defined in the last sentence of this subsection", and

(2) by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "For purposes of paragraph (1)(A), the term "wages" means wages as defined in section 209, but computed without regard to the limitations as to amounts of remuneration specified in subsections (a), (g)(2), (g)(3), (h)(2), and (j) of such section; and in making such computation services which do not constitute employment as defined in section 210, performed within the United States by an individual as an employee or performed outside the United States in the active military or naval service of the United States, shall be deemed to be employment as so defined if the remuneration for such services is not includible in computing the individual's net earnings or net loss from self-employment for purposes of title II; but such term does not include (i) the amount of any payment made to or on behalf of an employee or any of his dependents (including any amount paid by an employer for insurance or annuities, or into a fund, to provide for any such payment) on account of retirement, or (ii) any payment or series of payments by an employer to an employee or any of his dependents upon or

- after the termination of the employee's employment
- 2 relationship because of retirement after attaining an
- age specified in a plan referred to in section
- 4 209(m)(2) or in a pension plan of the employer.".
- 5 (m) Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974
- 6 is amended by striking out subsections (f) and (g)(2).
- 7 SEC. 4. The amendments and repeals made by this
- 8 Act shall be effective with respect to taxable years ending
- 9 on and after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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